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VISION MOVES A STEP CLOSER

FAR-REACHING plans to transform Banbury and the surrounding area over the next 15 years have moved a step closer after councillors agreed to recommend them for approval ahead of a crucial meeting this month.

At a meeting of the executive at Cherwell District Council on Monday, councillors were asked to pledge their support for the Banbury Vision and Masterplan.

The amended document outlines future development for the area up to 2031 and includes traffic improvements and new housing projects.

Speaking at the meeting, Banbury Ruscoe councillor and leader of the opposition Sean Woodcock said the masterplan had been a long time coming.

He said: "This is an opportunity to make our town better."

"It is an opportunity to make Banbury a prime place that I know it can be and a great opportunity to make it better."

"We welcome the plan, it is finally here and we welcome the work of officers but it would have been good if it had come a bit earlier."

Banbury Hardwick councillor John Donaldson agreed that the plan presented good opportunities for the area.

He said: "It is a great piece of work, it

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strikes the right balance for our town. We can now look forward for things to really begin and gel together."

Before the motion to recommend the plan was agreed, leader of the council Barry Wood said: "I need officers to now think about how you are going to develop the plan."

The vision document outlines various projects for the area, including retail and cultural activities.

The document reads: "The significant housing growth planned for Banbury will provide the opportunity to develop Banbury into a stronger regional centre with a full range of retail, leisure, cultural, sporting and social activities. To deliver this role the strategic roads, public transport network and car parking will need to be improved, together with better training and higher education opportunities for local people. To facilitate this growth, investment is required in apprenticeships, training and education and the delivery of suitable employment sites."

"A diversifying and thriving town centre and expanding regional influence will also draw a wider range of professional service jobs."

Among the proposals in the document, which was put out for consultation between March and April, are traffic improvements at the M40 junction 11.

A spine road is also planned through residential developments from the A361 and A4260 as well as town centre roads.

Housing developments in the surrounding area and an improvement of Banbury's town centre are also identified in the document including event promotion and the temporary opening up of vacant shops. New public spaces and cultural activities are also planned as part of the vision document.

Councillors will next be asked to formally agree the finished vision document at a full council meeting to be held on Monday, December 19.



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PEOPLE across Oxfordshire are being urged to spare a few minutes this Christmas signing up online to the organ donor register.

NHS Blood and Transplant, which runs the register, said there were 6,500 people across the UK on the transplant waiting list, including 77 in the county.

In the past five years 176 people in the county have had a life-saving transplant but 26 have died waiting for a transplant.

Sally Johnson, NHS Blood and Transplant director of organ donation and transplantation, said: "It's a terrible shame that so many people who want to save lives through organ donation have not taken the next, simple step to register that decision."

"We all have busy lives, yet most of us would admit that we still find ourselves whiling time away and delaying doing important things.

"This Christmas, we are asking everyone who supports organ donation to take just a few minutes of their online time to show that support by joining the NHS Organ Donor Register."

The *Banbury Cake* has been campaigning for more people to sign up to the register.

While most people support organ donation, only about a third of people in the UK have joined the register.

In Oxfordshire 302,295 people have registered their decision to be an organ donor.

To sign up and for information visit organdonation.nhs.uk

Pub claims prize for flowers

A NORTH Oxfordshire pub has been awarded a prize for its flowers.

The Plough Inn in Bodicote was handed the prize by Wadworth brewery at its awards in Devizes, Wiltshire.

The hostelry was named best new entrant in the 'pubs in bloom' category, which was won by The Golden Lion in Winchester. Wadworth chief executive Chris Welham congratulated award winners, saying: "Winners have been chosen throughout our estate for their continued commitment to making their customers' days and ensuring their pub is the very best in their area."

Schools battle in debate

SCHOOLS from across North Oxfordshire went head-to-head in the second annual Cherwell Democracy Challenge.

Banbury MP Victoria Prentis welcomed the competitors to Cherwell District Council's offices in Bodicote House, Banbury, on Friday to debate topical issues.

In the first two rounds the six schools split into teams of four and debated whether councils

should rehouse Syrian refugees and whether rules banning new grammar schools should be relaxed.

After lunch the competition was whittled down to finalists Blessed George Napier Catholic School and The Warriner School. They debated Parliament's role in the UK's exit from the EU.

The final was closely contested but The Warriner School won.

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Tributes pour in for 'Mr Horton Hospital'

'Conscientious councillor' won a three-year battle to save unit from being downgraded

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TRIBUTES continue to pour in for a popular and well-known 'people's champion' of Banbury who died last month.

Former Banbury Town Mayor and councillor George Parish died on November 26 at a care home in Oxford of natural causes.

Mr Parish represented the Banbury Ruscote ward on Cherwell District Council for more than two decades and was perhaps best known for playing a pivotal role in preventing the downsizing of the Horton General Hospital.

The leader of Cherwell District Council Barry Wood led tributes to the 'conscientious councillor' this week.

He said: "The news of George's passing is a terrible blow.

"During his time at Cherwell he was a very conscientious councillor and one that had great visibility within his ward.

"It is widely acknowledged that he was the driving force behind the Keep the Horton campaign and his commitment to protecting local services was a testament to his devotion to not only Ruscote, but Banbury as a whole.

"George earned the respect of members from all political parties and received huge support from the residents he spent 22 years working to serve."

Sean Woodcock, leader of the opposition, also paid his respects and said: "Everyone in Banbury will be feeling an immense sense of loss at George's passing. He is rightly remembered as the man who saved the Horton Hospital.

"For this, the town and wider area, took him to their hearts.

"This was not difficult. His innate warmth and jovial character meant that he was, almost literally, friends with everyone he encountered.

"One of my favourite stories that he told me was how it regularly took him three hours to complete his shopping because of all the people who wanted to talk to him.



George Parish, chairman of Keep Horton General, with campaigners including former Banbury MP Sir Tony Baldry, centre

"He was, quite simply, Mr Horton Hospital."

Mr Parish served as a Labour member for the Banbury Ruscote ward at Cherwell between May 1990 and October 2012 before standing down.

He was elected the council's chairman between 2010 and 2011.

Mr Parish worked at Kraft Foods for more than 30 years and was the shop steward for the Transport and General Workers Union.

Between 2006 and 2008 he led a three-

year battle as chairman of the Save the Horton campaign over proposals to downgrade the Horton General Hospital.

The radical changes to paediatric services, obstetrics, gynaecology and the Special Care Baby Unit were overturned by the Secretary of State after a full inquiry by the Independent Re-configuration Panel. The panel found that Banbury was too far distant to risk emergency patients being transported some 25 miles away to Oxford.

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Charity fun run Santas raise £15k for hospice

400 Father Christmases brave the cold for a run around Spiceball Park

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MORE than 400 Santas took on the annual fun run on Sunday which looks set to raise more than £15,000 for Katharine House Hospice.

The fundraisers, many of whom were running in memory of loved ones, assembled on a crisp, sunny morning in Spiceball Park, joining either a 4km run or a 1km walk in aid of the local hospice.

Banbury MP Victoria Prentis also supported the event, posing for pictures with the Santas beforehand and praising the 'brilliant atmosphere' at the start line. She was one of the fortunate few to witness the unusual sight of a sea of red and white-dressed dancers attempting a salsa as part of the warm-up.

Relative normality quickly resumed as the 400-strong crowd began the run around the park.

The hospice revealed after the event that the seventh annual run looked set to raise more than £15,000 to support people facing life-limiting illnesses.

Chris Higgins, communications officer at the Hospice, thanked the hundreds of people who took part to raise money.

He said: "The Santa Fun Run is a fantastic family morning out, and the atmosphere on Sunday was brilliant."

"We were so pleased to see so many families coming together to raise money for their local hospice. People take part in the



Santas on the Katharine House Santa Fun Run; below, MP Victoria Prentis meets some of the Santas ahead of the run Pictures by Neil Simmons at Modern Parlance Photography

event for many reasons; some enjoy a morning out with the family, some run for fitness, and many of those who signed up know someone who was cared for at the hospice, and run in memory of them."

He added: "On behalf of everyone at Katharine House, I'd like

to say a big thank you to everyone who came out despite the cold to take part."

To donate to the charity, which provides support for those with life-limiting illnesses and their families, or to explore taking on your own challenge for the hospice go to khh.org.uk



Building society to aid worthy cause

A BANBURY building society will hold a charity collection in support of The Salvation Army this month.

Leeds Building Society, which is based at High Street is asking residents, colleagues and customers to donate store cupboard staples such as soups, beans and tinned food.

The collection will run throughout December before the items are delivered to The Salvation Army at Banbury's George Street.

Manager at Leeds Building

Society Claire Hill said: "We asked our local community foodbank if we could do anything to help them out in the build-up to Christmas, so now we are holding a collection in branch for The Salvation Army. The collection is open now in the branch at 19 High Street, Banbury, and will remain so until Saturday December 31.

"The Salvation Army does fantastic work to help people in Banbury, as we want to support their efforts so local people in

crisis don't have to go hungry.

"I hope people in Banbury will pay us a visit to donate an item or two to our collection.

"All donations will make a big difference to someone in need."

The Salvation Army said: "Christmas is a busy period for The Salvation Army, as we seek to help those experiencing poverty and social exclusion to participate in the joy of Christmas. Your gift will help us extend this support to the most disadvantaged in our community. On their behalf,

Burglary warning

NEIGHBOURHOOD police officers have asked residents living in and near North Oxfordshire villages to check their house security measures following a recent increase in burglaries.

The force said five incidents had been reported in the past fortnight in the villages of Wroxton, Shutford, Cropredy, Upper Tadmarton and close to Chipping Norton.

Officers making door-to-door enquiries believe it's possible other attempts on nearby properties have also occurred, but not been reported to police. Any suspicious activity should be reported to 101.

'Must improve'

A GP surgery has been rated as 'requires improvement' overall by a health watchdog.

Dr Wignell and Partners, also known as Windrush Surgery, in Banbury treated patients with 'compassion, dignity and respect' but the inspector found lessons were not always identified and shared to make sure action was taken to improve safety in the practice as a result of significant events and complaints.

A Care Quality Commission inspector visited the surgery, in West Bar on October 3 and published a report last week. It was rated 'good' in two of the five areas.

Sleep-out help

SCHOOL pupils raised more than £600 for a homelessness charity by holding a sponsored sleep-out.

Youngsters at Sibford School near Banbury spent the night of November 25 under the art block in support of Banbury Young Homelessness Project. They were without technology or mattresses with only a cup of soup each.

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Care home given a glowing report

Care Quality Commission inspectors award good ratings across the board

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A CARE home near Banbury is celebrating after receiving a glowing report from the country's health watchdog.

Lifecarers in Bloxham was inspected by the Care Quality Commission and was rated 'good' in all five key areas.

Inspectors praised the staff and the environment of the private care home which supports 45 people with a range of disabilities including dementia and social exclusion.

Inspectors said its level of safety, effectiveness, care, responsiveness and leadership were good.

Inspectors said: "People told us they felt safe and they complimented the support received."

"Staff understood their responsibilities in relation to safeguarding. Staff had received regular training to make sure they stayed up to date with recognising and reporting safety concerns."

"The service had systems in place to notify the appropriate authorities where concerns were



Bloxham care home staff celebrates good rating

identified. Individual risks to people were assessed and recorded and management plans were in place to manage the risks.

"People received their medicines as prescribed by appropriately trained staff. People were supported to access health services when required.

"Staff had the skills and knowledge to support people and received training allowing them to carry out their roles effectively.

"We found the provider had an effective system to regularly assess and monitor the quality of service that people received.

"Regular monitoring across a number of areas such as health and safety and staff development was undertaken by management."

Inspectors said staff were caring and treated patients with dignity and respect and had also developed positive relationships.

Branch manager Marta Wutke said: "Our belief is that every one of us needs to be treated as an individual, and we all have different ways of doing things and above all we have a choice.

"It is also about helping clients maintain a dignified and independent lifestyle within their own homes, so this gives peace of mind to their families too.

"From our recent CQC inspection, some of our clients were asked on their feedback.

"It was lovely to hear that our clients feel that peace of mind 'go beyond expectations' and that 'our carers really do care'."



Residents and staff from care homes across Oxfordshire at Oxford Ice Rink; below right, June Willis, 85

Care homes' residents hit ice

CARE home residents from across Oxfordshire got into the festive spirit by skating around the city's ice rink on a day trip.

The elderly residents, from the seven Orders of St John Care Trust homes in the county, including Larkrise Care Centre in Banbury, joined staff for a day on the ice last week.

The group embraced the cold weather by wrapping up warm and gliding across the ice in their wheelchairs.

June Willis, 85, from Stirlings Care Home in Wantage, said: "It's great fun out there on the ice."



Residents and staff from Longlands in Oxford, The Meadows in Didcot, Stirlings in Wantage, Glebe House in Kidlington, Isis House in Oxford and



Madley Park House in Witney also took part in the day.

The residents are set to enjoy a Christmas party next week.

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Winter Wonderland to be launched at campus

Christmas event to be first of its kind for the town and will include Santa's Grotto

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BANBURY will usher in the festive period on Friday as the Banbury Academy and Avocet Theatre Company launches its Christmas extravaganza – a Winter Wonderland.

The event, the first of its kind for the town, will include a Christmas market, live performances, Santa's Grotto, a 'Narnia experience' and more.

The Narnia experience will take guests through the Wardrobe and into the fictional world of CS Lewis's Narnia.

Space Studio Banbury have also joined the event and created a 'scientific Christmas adventure' with staff and students of the academy providing a virtual reality headset experience and a trip into a planetarium.

Principal of Banbury Aspirations Campus, Sylvia Thomas, said ahead of the launch on Friday: "Banbury Academy prides itself on building community ties and creating innovative events for both our students and the people of Banbury.

"We are so pleased to be teaming up with Avocet Theatre Com-

pany to hold an event that the whole family can enjoy.

"The students and staff have been working closely with the team at ATC and the result is something magical and unique."

Chairman and artistic director of Avocet Theatre Company Ben Coleman said: "ATC is only a year old having evolved from the successful St John's Drama Group.

"When we formed, our ethos was to look for new ways to push the boundaries and create new and memorable theatrical experiences for the people of Banbury.

"This year we wanted to produce an event that encapsulated the community spirit that makes Christmas a magical time and we are so pleased that Banbury Academy supports that vision.

"This is truly an event that will bring Banbury together, so wrap up warm and come and see what's on offer."

Charities and non-profit organisations have also been invited to the event in order to raise awareness of a range of issues and to raise money for their causes.

Some of the charities featured includes Dogs for Good, Banbury Operatic Society and Banbury Young Carers as well as the already confirmed groups promoting their worthwhile causes.

Entry to Winter Wonderland is a free and will take place at the Banbury Academy campus tomorrow, starting at 5.30pm and finishing at 8.30pm.



Sylvia Thomas, principal of Banbury Aspirations Campus, Ben Coleman, chairman and artistic director of Avocet Theatre Company, with students of Banbury Academy and members of Avocet Theatre Company

Number of rough sleepers drops by 20 per cent

THE number of rough sleepers across the district has reduced by nearly 20 per cent over the past year.

An annual estimate of those people sleeping rough, carried out by Cherwell District Council, recorded a total of 17 people.

This was down on last year's count of 21 rough sleepers.

John Donaldson, Cherwell District Council lead member for housing, said: "We are pleased at this reduction in the

estimated number of rough sleepers in Cherwell. Nevertheless, there is no room for complacency.

"Cherwell and its partner agencies will continue to work together to identify and support the homeless and offer them routes to warmth and stability, which include referrals to access 24-hour support based within Oxford and 13 supported beds within Cherwell district.

"We encourage members of the public to report cases of rough sleeping via the

StreetLink website and if they wish to donate, to use The Beacon Centre's text message service."

The council has committed itself to working with several different partners across the county to spend a total of £2,940,000 to help the homelessness situation across the county.

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WROXTON villagers are invited to have their say on proposed changes to the village's conservation area.

Cherwell District Council is assessing the area and will present its proposals at an exhibition today.

The conservation area is designed to preserve the character of the village.

District councillor Colin Clarke, pictured, said: "With this appraisal, Cherwell is recognising the importance to Wroxton villagers of safeguarding their community's heritage and its countryside setting.

"Our officers have put forward proposals for how we can continue to protect and improve the conservation area, but it is essential that those who live in the village make their views known before any changes become a reality. The conservation area provides a context for the management of future development through the planning process, to help ensure future changes respect the historic character of the village and its landscape setting.

"So I urge villagers to attend the exhibition and public meeting to contribute to this process."

The exhibition will be open between 4pm and 6.30pm and the public meeting will take place between 7pm and 8.30pm at Wroxton village hall. The conservation area was first designated in 1977 but has not been appraised since 1996.

The draft appraisal is available online and residents are invited to submit comments before Friday, January 27.

For more information visit cherwell.gov.uk/conservation



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Heads slam grammar proposal

Letter to PM from teachers argues selective schools would damage economy

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'RETROGRADE and dangerous' plans to bring grammar schools back to Oxfordshire have been criticised in a letter sent by county headteachers to the Prime Minister and Education Secretary.

The letter, seen exclusively by the *Banbury Cake*, said selective schools would damage the county's economy, leave some children behind and damage social mobility.

Kate Curtis, headteacher of Theresa May's old school Wheatley Park, is among its signatories, along with 31 other headteachers and five chief executives of multi academy trusts.

The letter reads: "We write to you today to express our strong opposition to the government's proposal to expand selective education."

"We urge you to withdraw this wholly misplaced, retrograde and dangerous plan, which is supported neither by hard evidence nor the teaching profession itself."

"The grammar school proposal is one which we wholeheartedly reject."

"Comprehensive schools currently deliver excellent and improving standards for young people despite the increasing pressures and financial



cial constraints upon them."

The headteachers said selective schools would not provide the highly skilled workers Oxfordshire's economy needs.

They also said the issue was detracting from the real challenges faced by schools, such as recruiting and retaining good teachers.

Ms Curtis said: "There is a risk of a left-behind generation if we are not careful."

"For our economy and society well-funded education in all-ability schools is most advantageous."

"I think the government will listen. People in the government looking at education policy are very serious about doing the best for children."

"I think Mrs May knows my position. It is not a personal point about her or Justine Greening. I am sure we all want the same thing, we just



Theresa May, then Brasier, smiles, right, as she is defeated in a mock general election at Holton Park Girls' Grammar School, now Wheatley Park in March 1974; above, Wheatley Park headteacher Kate Curtis

disagree about how to go about it."

In the summer Mrs May said she wanted to lift the ban on new grammar schools being created, which has been in place since 1998.

A government consultation on the proposals closes on Monday. But the letter states that the schools could lead to 'division, privilege and inequality'.

Didcot Girls' School headteacher Rachael Warwick, was among the

headteachers who signed it.

She said: "Whatever test is dreamt up to test children at 11, the fundamental point remains that children develop at different ages and stages."

"For every grammar school 'success story' there are countless counter stories which are never heard or shared in the media."

"Instead of tinkering, once more, with structural reform, the government would be better advised to direct its energies towards reversing the teacher recruitment crisis and funding schools at an acceptable level."

"If this does not happen, grammar schools or not, the school system we are building for the future will fall well short of ever being world class, and we run the risk of failing a new generation of young people."

Once the consultation has closed the responses will be examined by civil servants and ministers before they decide how to proceed.

National Union of Teachers Oxfordshire spokesman Gwain Little said: "These headteachers are the people who have been asked if they would like to go selective and they are saying they would not."

"It makes me very proud of our headteachers that they have put their heads above the parapet and taken this stance."

Department for Education spokeswoman Juliet Kirk said: "We know grammar schools provide a good education for their disadvantaged pupils and we want more pupils from lower income backgrounds to benefit from that."

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Rail ticket rises 'unacceptable'

Commuters criticise hikes from 'abysmal' public transport firm

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COMMUTER groups have hit out at news they will have to pay more for 'abysmal' services.

The Rail Delivery Group announced last week that ticket prices would rise by an average of 2.3 per cent and passengers called for explanations.

Chris Bates, chairman of the Cherwell Rail Users Group, said Oxfordshire's commuters would be particularly unhappy due to the 'abysmal' performance of Great Western Railway.

He called on the industry to explain why fares have increased above inflation.

The regular commuter from Banbury to London, said: "No one will welcome higher fares and especially not people in Oxfordshire as Great Western Railway have been performing abysmally recently."

"It's not really acceptable and frankly they need to jus-



Chris Bates, chairman of Cherwell Rail Users Group

tify and explain why the fares have increased above inflation."

In August the rail industry announced, a 1.9 per cent increase on its 'regulated' fares, which includes season tickets on most commuter journeys, most off-peak returns and anytime tickets around major cities.

Last week, the Rail Delivery Group revealed there would be an average 2.3 per cent rise when 'unregulated' tick-

ets, set by rail operators and including advanced and first class tickets, were also taken into account.

Rail, Maritime and Transport Union general secretary Mick Cash said the announcement was 'another kick in the teeth' for British passengers.

He added: "Once again the rip-off private train companies are laughing all the way to the bank as they whack up fares and axe staff in all-out dash to maximise profits."

Lianna Etkind, of the Campaign for Better Transport, condemned the increase, warning that some passengers are 'finding themselves priced off the railways'.

She said: "Between 1995 and 2016 passengers have seen average fares increase by 23.5 per cent and much more needs to be done by train operators and the Government to give them a truly affordable railway."

Paul Plummer, chief executive of the Rail Delivery Group which represents train operators and Network Rail, said: "Around 97p in every pound passengers pay goes back into running and improving services."

The rise comes into effect on January 2.



The impromptu Singing for Syrians concert outside the Palace of Westminster with Victoria Prentis MP, far left

MPs on song Singing for Syrians

AN IMPROMPTU concert was hosted outside the Palace of Westminster as part of an Oxfordshire MP's campaign to support Syrians.

Banbury MP Victoria Prentis was joined by her colleagues Nicola Blackwood MP, Fiona MacTaggart MP and Attorney General Robert Buckland MP at the event last Tuesday.

The pop-up event aimed to raise awareness of Giving Tuesday, a global day which encourages people to 'do

good stuff' for charity by giving time and money to a worthy cause.

It was also part of Mrs Prentis's Singing for Syrians fundraising scheme.

She said: "I thought it would be a lot of fun to try to get some of my Parliamentary colleagues to come along and sing outside Westminster.

"It was all rather last minute, but it just shows how easy it is to organise a Singing for Syrians event. I was really

grateful to all my colleagues and the schoolchildren who sang their hearts out."

Passers by stopped to join in carols with the MPs, many of whom will be joining the choir for the main Singing for Syrians event at St Margaret's Church in Westminster on Tuesday, December 13.

The event will be attended by Robert Peston and author Michael Morpurgo.

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Campaign calls on drivers to stay safe

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THOUSANDS of young people in Oxfordshire were hit with a harrowing road safety message this week as the Save Drive Stay Alive campaign returned.

Several students broke down in tears over the three-day series of events at the King's Centre in Osney Mead, Oxford, attended by 5,500 sixth form and college pupils.

Emergency responders working in the Thames Valley as well as a bereaved parent and a young crash survivor stepped up to tell their stories alongside a jarring video.

The annual partnership event aims to instil a sense of responsibility in young people aged 17 to 24 as they get behind the wheel for the first time.

Co-organiser Mick Clarke, the road safety manager for Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service, said: "We want young people to enjoy the freedom of driving."

"But making the wrong decision can be life-changing. We live in a 24/7 society now and we spend a lot of time rushing around; distractions are such a big thing."

He added that firefighters, police officers and paramedics at an RTC were often shaken by the after-effects of what they had dealt with.

He said: "We are human and we have families with young children, and that's why we get involved in these activities – to prevent them happening in the first place."

In 2015 a total of 24 people were killed on the county's roads, and 304 seriously injured – of which about a third, eight and 87 respectively, were young people aged 17-24 despite the fact that they make up only an eighth of drivers. Of 1,623 collisions reported in Oxfordshire 484 involved a young driver.

Matthew Arnold School student Holly Turner said the presentation had been 'surreal' and made her rethink rushing to learn.

She said: "It's quite scary,

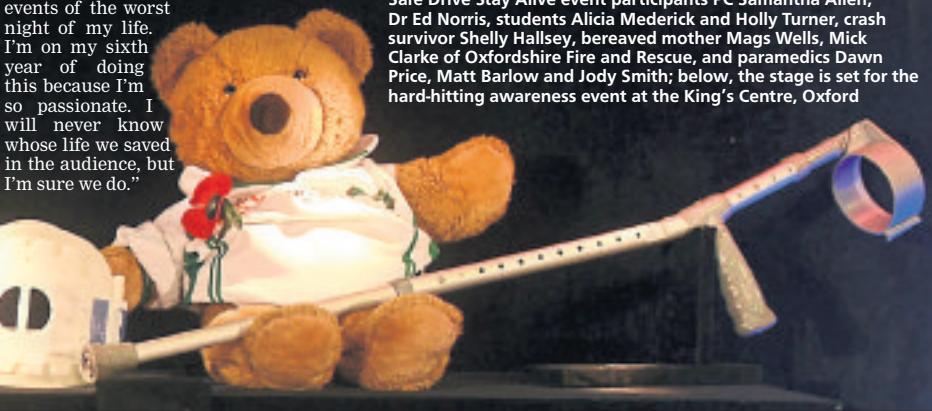
and really sad. They said they see this week to week and the injuries were really gruesome. It makes me not want to drive."

Among those to speak was Mags Wells, whose 18-year-old son Karl Nokes was killed in a horror crash in Buckinghamshire in 2008. He was in a friend's car on a night out, doing 92mph in a 40mph zone when the driver lost control and crashed, and only one of the five occupants survived.

Mrs Wells said: "This is the real events of the worst night of my life. I'm on my sixth year of doing this because I'm so passionate. I will never know whose life we saved in the audience, but I'm sure we do."



Safe Drive Stay Alive event participants PC Samantha Allen, Dr Ed Norris, students Alicia Mederick and Holly Turner, crash survivor Shelly Hallsey, bereaved mother Mags Wells, Mick Clarke of Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue, and paramedics Dawn Price, Matt Barlow and Jody Smith; below, the stage is set for the hard-hitting awareness event at the King's Centre, Oxford



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THE BIRTH OF A NATION (15, 120 mins) Drama/Romance. **Nate Parker, Armie Hammer, Aja Naomi King, Jackie Earle Haley, Penelope Ann Miller, Gabrielle Union, Colman Domingo.**

Director: Nate Parker

THE media firestorm which has engulfed Nate Parker – director, writer and leading actor of *The Birth Of A Nation* – casts a long shadow over his historical drama about an 1831 slave rebellion in Virginia.

The furore around a rape charge dating back to 1999, when Parker was a student at Penn State University and of which he was acquitted, has almost certainly torpedoed any chance of his individual contributions being part of the feverish Academy Awards conversations in the coming months.

Judging *The Birth Of A Nation* purely on its merits, the film provokes the same debates as *12 Years A Slave*, albeit with less narrative sophistication and directorial brio.

Behind the camera, Parker is ruled by convention and he struggles to generate dramatic momentum that would make the two-hour running time feel less of a slog. However, in a year when the lack of diversity in the global filmmaking community has become a hot-button topic, Parker's achievements on a modest budget should not be underestimated.

In his guise as slave-turned-preacher Nat Turner, the filmmaker is far more convincing, surrounding himself with an excellent ensemble cast, who treat the harrowing subject matter with the seriousness it deserves.

Slave owner Samuel Turner (Armie Hammer) believes he is more tolerant and understanding than many of his neighbours in Southampton County.

His God-fearing mother Elizabeth (Penelope Ann Miller) raised young Samuel with a slave boy called Nat (Parker) as his playmate, and the imposing

matriarch taught Nat to read by referring him to the word of the Bible. Nat devours every word and grows up with a belief that he must preach to his people.

He falls in love with another slave, Cherry (Aja Naomi King), but when she is brutally assaulted by a gang of white slave owners, led by snarling Raymond Cobb (Jackie Earle Haley), poor Samuel seriously questions the order of his unforgiving world.

His friend and fellow slave Hark (Colman Domingo) suffers a similar hammer blow when his wife Esther (Gabrielle Union) is ordered to provide sexual services to one of Samuel's dinner guests.

These injustices light an unquenchable fire within Nat and he leads a rebellion that puts him on a collision course with Cobb and the pro-slavery establishment.

The Birth Of A Nation is a passionate, yet clumsily conceived, rallying cry for equality, spattered with the blood and tears of men, who acknowledge that violence begets greater violence.

Parker conceives some horrifying imagery, such as Cherry's battered face after she is attacked, but he fails to elegantly weave these jolts into a fluid and constantly engaging character study.

SNOWDEN (15, 134 mins) Drama/Thriller/Romance. **Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Shailene Woodley, Melissa Leo, Zachary Quinto, Rhys Ifans, Nicolas Cage, Tom Wilkinson, Joely Richardson, Scott Eastwood.**

Director: Oliver Stone

IN FEBRUARY 2015, documentary filmmaker Laura Poitras deservedly won an Oscar for her riveting picture *Citizenfour*, which charts the events leading up to Edward Snowden's decision to go public as the CIA contractor who leaked sensitive material belonging to the National Security Agency (NSA).

In her film, Poitras conducts a



Nate Parker as Nat Turner in *Birth Of A Nation*; inset, Joseph Gordon-Levitt as Edward Snowden

series of secret interviews with Snowden holed up in a hotel room in Hong Kong in the company of investigative journalist Glenn Greenwald and *The Guardian*'s defence and intelligence correspondent Ewen MacAskill.

When Snowden's whereabouts leaks to the media, he moves to Poitras' room and her film becomes a fascinating portrait of a man on the run from his own government.

Footage of the real Snowden during the film's closing moments is a reminder of the superiority of the *Citizenfour* documentary. Real-life voyeurism trumps Hollywood dramatisation.



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RACIAL prejudice has never been more open and prevalent than in recent months, in the wake of Brexit, the election of Donald Trump as the new US President and the Black Lives Matter movement.

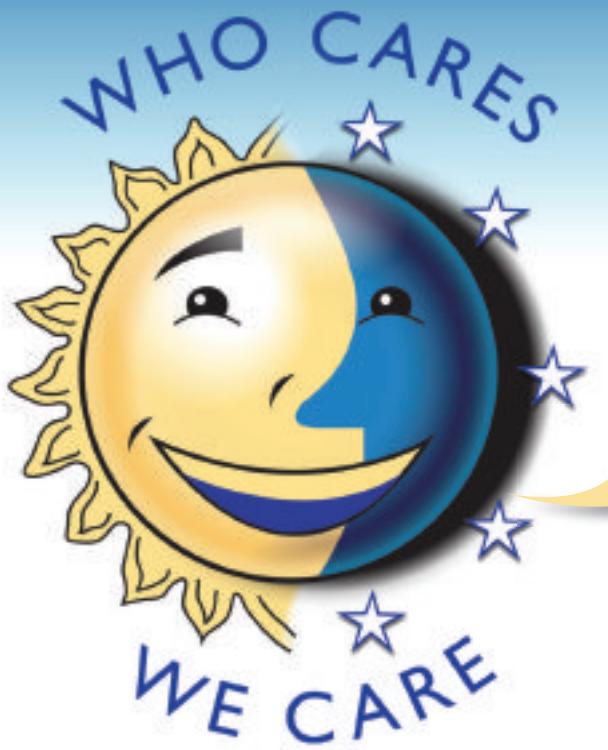
My Sister's Keeper author Jodi Picoult tackles the issue of colour in her latest solo novel. She initially wanted to address this subject early on in her writing career, but felt too inexperienced to do it justice. *Small Great Things*, taken from a Reverend Dr Martin Luther King Jr quote, follows the case of experienced labour and delivery nurse Ruth Harrison, who happens to be black. She finds herself arrested for murder and involuntary manslaughter when a baby dies under her watch, following a routine hospital procedure. As with Picoult's other

works, the story is seen through three different perspectives – that of Ruth, her lawyer and the child's father. How Ruth's situation and trial unfolds will make you cry, fill you with shock and disbelief, but above all, make you think about how the world is more than just black and white.

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THURSDAY

Abingdon Artists Charity Auction of Art Stuff: Northcourt Centre, Northcourt Road, Abingdon. All proceeds to the MIND Wellbeing Centre in Abingdon. 7.30pm. Free.

Bicester Vision AGM: Brethertons Solicitors, Franklins House, Manorsfield Road, Bicester. 12pm. Free. 01869 324244.

Christmas at Blenheim: Blenheim Palace, Blenheim Palace, Woodstock. Christmas light trail at Blenheim Palace. 5pm. Adult £16, child £10, when booked in advance. 01993 810530.

Film: Abingdon Health and Wellbeing Centre, Audit Drive, Abingdon. *Timbuktu*, 94 mins, Mauretania/Fr, 2014, Cert 12. Sissako brings us a chilling scenario as the Islamic police infiltrate and attempt to take control of the Malian city. 7.45pm. £6. 01235 521976.

Sunningwell and Bayworth WI: Sunningwell Village Hall, Sunningwell Road, Sunningwell. Christmas readings. 2pm. £3.

Sunningwell and District Gardening Club: Sunningwell Village Hall, Sunningwell Road, Sunningwell. Annual Christmas Party. 7.30pm.

West Oxon Decorative and Fine Arts Society: Witney Methodist Church, High Street, Witney. Lecture by Yasha Beresiner, The Fascinating World of Playing Cards. 7.30pm. Guests and visitors £6. 01993 776568.

FRIDAY

Christmas Coffee Morning: The John Paul II Centre, The Causeway, Bicester. 10am. £2. 01869 253277.

St Edburg's Christmas Tree Festival:

St Edburg's Church, Church Street, Bicester. With live music, refreshments and children's activities. 10am. £2.50, free for children. 07969 988932.

SATURDAY

Family Christmas Bingo: Southmoor Village Hall, Draycott Road, Southmoor. 1st Longworth Scout Group. All proceeds for the Beaver, Cub, Scout and Explorer sections. 7pm. Free. 01865 821266.

Bicester & Kidlington Ramblers: Port Meadow car park, Wolvercote. A moderately difficult 11-mile walk. Bring your own picnic lunch en route. 10am. Free. 01865 460469.

Carol Evening Special: Chinnor & Princes Risborough Railway, Station Approach, Station Road, Chinnor. Festive Carol Evening train ride with light refreshments. 6.30pm. Adult £10, senior £9, Child £7. 07979 053566.

Christmas Fairytale 2016: Fairytale Farm, Southcombe, Chipping Norton. Christmas cookie decorating, a chance to find clues to discover Santa's favourite Christmas carol and Christmas colouring. See Santa in his indoor fairytale grotto. 10am. Grotto tickets £5.20, plus normal farm admission. 01608 238014.

Christmas Party: The Great Barn, Upper Aynho Grounds, Aynho. Full festive menu and dancing until 1am. 7pm. £49.50. 01869 810823.

Christmas Tree Festival: St Andrew's Church, Church Road, Chinnor. Christmas Through the Ages. All proceeds to go towards the maintenance of St Andrew's Church. 2pm. Donations on the door. 01844 352472.

European Christmas Fair 2016: European School Culham, Thame Lane, Abingdon. 10am. Free. 01235 522621.

Santa Steam Specials: Chinnor & Princes Risborough Railway, Station Approach, Station Road, Chinnor. Meet Santa on one of the Steam Specials. Every fare-paying child will receive a present from Santa and his elves. Trains at 10.15am, 11.30am, 1pm, 2.15pm and

3.30pm. Adult £12, child £10. 07979 055366.

Table Top and Jumble Sale: Island Farm Donkey Sanctuary, Old Didcot Road, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell. 11am. Buyers entry 50p. 01491 833938.

Walk (Fieldpaths): Car Park, New Street, Chipping Norton. SP312270 5.25 miles A leisurely rural walk from Chipping Norton via Over Norton and Salford. Bring refreshments for en route break, pubs and cafes in Chipping Norton after walk. Bus S3 from Oxford. Assistance dogs only. 10am. 01295 810771.

Christmas Market: Combe Mill, Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough. 11am. Free. 01993 358694.

SUNDAY

Bike Cafe: Fairspear House, Leafield, Witney. 10am. Free.

PACT Carol Concert: Dorchester Abbey, High Street, Wallingford. A tea party for families at 4pm. The carol concert starts at 5pm. The Dorchester Abbey Choir, professional soprano Erin Hughes and Benson Military Wives Choir. 5pm. Free.

Ramblers walk: Car park at rear of the King & Queen PH, Wheatley. 8½-mile walk via Shotover and Cuddesdon. Bring a picnic. 10am. 01865 423555.

Santa's Vintage Bus Grotto: Oxford Bus Museum, Railway Station Yard Main Road, Long Hanborough. A restored vintage Oxford city bus from 1953 will be decorated as Santa's Grotto. Father Christmas and his Elves will greet children. 10.30am. £5 adult; £3 child; £13 families. +£3 for Santa. 01993 886617.

Santas on the Run: Broad Street, Broad Street, Oxford. Join 2,000 Santas running through the streets of Oxford. 3.5km. 9am. Adults £18, children £12, under 5 free. 01865 794749.

Walk (Fieldpaths): Ascott-under-Wychwood, Church, Ascott-under-Wychwood. SP302187 6.5 miles. A circular walk following the banks of the Evenlode on the Oxfordshire Way, and through the Wychwood Forest to Chilson with fine views. Please advise if you wish to book lunch at pub in Leafield. Assistance dogs only. 10am. 07808 170418.

Winter Wetland Birds: Thruop Lake, Thruop Lane, Radley. With Ben Carpenter. 9.30am. £5 adult; £2 child. 01865 407792.

MONDAY

Mums Meet Mondays: Rugrats and Halfpints, Beaumont Road, Banbury. 9.30am. £1 per child. 01295 250060.

Seniors Yoga: Drayton Village Hall, Lockway, Drayton. 11am. £5. 07712 646382.

TUESDAY

Bicester & Kidlington Ramblers: Ford, Near village hall. A leisurely four-mile walk. Gentle walk to Heth and back with optional pub lunch at the end, but please contact the walk leader in advance if eating. 10am. Free. 07939 826412.

Nursing and Midwifery Open Evening: Oxford Brookes University, Faculty of Health and Life Sciences, Jack Straw's Lane, Oxford. 5pm. Free. 01865 482678.

Oxfordshire Architectural and Historical Society: Rewley House, Wellington Square, Oxford. Lecture by Julian Munby. Shakespeare and the Davenants - Fact or Fiction? 5.30pm. Free.

Ramblers walk: Woodstock, Hensington Road car park, Woodstock. Leisurely four-mile stroll through Blenheim Park followed by tea stop. 10am. 01844 213467.

Walk (Fieldpaths): The Queen's College, High Street, Oxford. SP519063

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5.5 miles A circular city walk, around Christchurch Meadow along the Thames Path to Iffley. Returning via Meadows Lane and part of Iffley Road. Bring refreshments for en route break. Assistance dogs only. 10.30am. 07711 564311.

WEDNESDAY

Christmas Quiz in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care: The Oxfordshire Yeoman Pub, 172 Wroxton Road, Freeland. 7.30pm. £3 per person. 07754 271831.

Cotswold Decorative & Fine Arts Society: Bradwell Village Hall, Bradwell Village, Burford. The Christmas lecture is 'The Christmas Tree' by Dr Claire Walsh. 10.15am. Non-members very welcome (suggested donation £10).

Floral Centre Pieces: No Two Things, 120 Broadway, Didcot. Make a centre piece to adorn your home. 7.30pm. £25. 01235 511550.

Harwell WI: Orchard Hall, Westfield Road, Harwell. Christmas Party with food and fun. 7.30pm. Free. 01235 835649.

Oxford Ornithological Society

Indoor Meeting: Exeter Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington, UK Little Owls by Dr Emily Joachim. 7.45pm. Free.

Oxfordshire Railway Society:

Seacourt Day Centre, Seacourt Road, Botley. Bumper film show presented by Frank Banfield. 7.30pm. £4.

Ramblers walk: Christmas Common, By the Fox & Hounds PH, Watlington. Seven-mile walk via Pishill and Greenfield Wood. 10am. 01865 890829.

Music

THURSDAY

St. Mary's Church Church Green, Witney: Acoustic Room. Open mic. 7.30pm. 01993 705026.

Jacqueline du Pré Music Building, St Hilda's College, Oxford: Romantic Trilogy 2: Lunchtime Concert (Liszt & Dvorák). £5. 1.15pm. Romantic Trilogy 3: Sara Trickey (violin), Daniel and Joseph Tong (piano). Late Romantic works by Faure, Brahms, Dvorák and Franck. Gallery £15, stalls £12, students £12/£5. 7pm. 01865 286660.

Burwell Hall, Thorney Leys, Witney: Ben Holder's Christmas Jazz Cracker.

Jazz violinists with Rob Terry (piano), Jez Cook (guitar) and Paul Jefferies (bass). £12 (£10). 8pm. 07710 545555.

O2 Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road, Oxford: Primal Scream. 90's

psychedelic dance pop legends. 7pm. £26.50. The Wedding Present. Indie rock veterans. 7pm. £16.

Joe's Bar & Grill, 260 Banbury Road, Oxford: Sax & Honey. Latin jazz and soul grooves. 8pm. Free.

FRIDAY

All Saints' Church, Lime Walk, Headington: An English Christmas. Headington Singers. With Alfredston Brass. £12, £10 concessions, children free. 7.30pm. 01865 762418.

Angel, Market Square, Witney: Uprooted. Covers duo. Free. 9pm. 01993 703238.

O2 Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road, Oxford: Absolute Bowie. David Bowie tribute. £14. 6.30pm. 01865 5813500.

The Abbey, The Green, Sutton Courtenay: Olivier Sandberg Piano Recital. £10-15. 7.30pm. 01235847401.

TUESDAY

O2 Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley

Road, Oxford: Minor Victories, Ulrika Spacek. UK alt-rock supergroup. 7pm. £15.

The Bullingdon, 162 Cowley Road, Oxford: Oxford Brookes Big Band. Jazz. 8.30pm. Free.

WEDNESDAY

The Talk House, Wheatley Road, Stanton St John: Polly Gibbons. Top

UK jazz and soul singer with piano, drums and bass with Tim Dawes, Tim Lapthorn, Nait Allen. 8.30-11pm. Free.

Church of the Holy Family, 1 Cuddesdon Way, Blackbird Leys, Oxford: Blackbird Leys Choir Christmas Concert. Free. 7.30pm.

Theatre

Blackwell Hall, Weston Library, Broad Street, Oxford: Dec 10, We used to correspond. Reading of the letters of Philip Larkin and Barbara Pym. 6pm. £20. 01865 277596.

Burton Taylor Studio, Beaumont Street, Oxford: Dec 8-31, *Snowflakes*. Christmas show for ages three to six. Various times. £8. 01865 305305.

Jacqueline du Pré Music Building, St Hilda's College, Oxford: Dec 17, *The Elves and the Shoemaker*. Classic fairytale for ages three to seven. 11am. £7. 01865 286660.

Old Fire Station, 40 George Street, Oxford: Until Dec 6-10, *All My Sons*. Oxford Theatre Guild present Arthur Miller's classic play. 7.30pm. and 2.30pm matinee on Sat. £14, £12. Dec 13, *Hammer and Tongue*. Live spoken word. 8pm. £7, £5. Dec 13-23, 30 *Christmases*. A Christmas show for grown-ups. 8pm. £15/£12 (previews £10). 01865 263990.

Oxford Playhouse, Beaumont Street, Oxford: Until Jan 8, *Cinderella*. Various times and prices. 01865 305305.

New Road Baptist Church, Bonn Square, Oxford: Until Dec 17, *Romeo & Juliet*. Don't Hate The Players Theatre Company. Set in the year 2065. Tickets via www.donthatetheplayers.co.uk £15, £12 concessions.

New Theatre, George Street, Oxford: Dec 13-31, *Rocky Horror Show*: *Frank N Furter's Festive Package*. 5.30pm and 8pm. £20 plus £4 transaction fee. Dec 10, *Adam Hills: Clown Heart*. Comedian. 8pm. £38.40. 0844 871 7615.

The North Wall Arts Centre, South Parade, Summertown: Until Jan 7, *Snow White and Other Tales from the Brothers Grimm*. Creation Theatre. 2pm. £13.50-£32. 01865 766266.

The Story Museum, 42 Pembroke Street, Oxford: Until Jan 8, *Three Bears*. For children aged three plus. Various times. From £5. 01865 790050.

Carterton Community College, Upavon Way, Carterton: Dec 9-11, *Snow White and the 7 Thimblebogs*. Fri 7pm, Sat 2pm and 7pm, Sun 11am and 3pm. Tickets from Wreal Sports in Carterton. £6.

Chipping Norton Theatre, Spring Street, Chipping Norton: Until Jan 8, *Robinson Crusoe*. Panto. Various times and prices. 01608 642350.

Cornerstone, Station Road, Didcot: Until Dec 24, *Emily Brown and the Thing*. Various times. £12 (£9.50). Dec 11, *Comedy 4 Kids Christmas Cracker*. 2pm. £9 (£7). Dec 14, *A Christmas Carol*. 7pm. £15 (£13.50). 01235 515144.

The Beacon, Portway, Wantage: Dec 9, *Strictly Murder: A Murder Mystery Dinner*. 7pm. £35. Dec 16, Comedy Club. 8pm. £20. 01235 763456.

The Mill Arts Centre, Spiceball Park Road, Banbury: Until Dec 31, *Cinderella and the Glass Slipper*. Creation. 2pm. £8-£16. 01865 766266.

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White clinches late United win

Stroke of fortune in stoppage time sees off Stratford

FOOTBALL

A FLUKE goal from Callum White deep into injury time gave Banbury United a dramatic 2-1 victory in their Premier Division game at home to Stratford Town.

Three minutes into time added on, a deep cross from the right by White sailed over Stratford keeper Niall Cooper's head and into the far corner of the net.

It capped a fine recovery from Mike Ford's side, who had trailed 1-0 with 11 minutes left.

With Zac McEachran a constant threat, Banbury had the better of the first half, their best chance falling to Marvin Martin, who thundered a shot against the bar.

Stratford took the lead in the 57th minute when Edwin Ahenko-

rah's low cross from the right was knocked home inside the near post by Ben Stephens.

Banbury responded by putting Stratford under pressure, but needed little bit of fortune to equalise in the 79th minute.

Martin's low cross was sliced into his own net at the near post by Stratford defender Guy Clark.

Banbury dominated the final minutes, with Cooper making saves from Ricky Johnson and McEachran before being beaten by that effort from White.

Banbury Utd: Harding, Westbrook, Gunn, Nash, Carnell, Self (Odhiambo 90), White, Humphreys (Jeacock 63), Johnson, McEachran, Martin. Subs not used: Bell, Browne, Blackstock.

Attendance: 378.

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Basingstoke Tn	22	9	3	10	28	32	30
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Stratford Tn	22	5	9	8	29	35	24
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Cirencester Tn	23	6	4	13	26	48	22
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Hayes & Y	20	5	5	10	23	33	20
Cambridge City	24	3	6	15	22	44	15
Cinderford Tn	22	3	1	18	24	55	10



A Stratford defender escapes punishment after holding Banbury United's Luke Carnell (No 5) at a corner
Picture: Steve Wheeler

Banbury's glory run continues

BANBURY'S rugby team made it four victories in a row with a 21-10 victory at Swindon in South West East.

Bulls were first to strike, with Michael Fox dotting down, and Ed Phillips converting, for an early lead.

Scrum half Phillips extended their advantage with a penalty.

The home side responded with an unconverted try to reduce Banbury's lead to 10-5 at the break.

Bulls eased away in the second half, thanks to two Phillips penalties.

The points were sewn up when the lead became 21-5, thanks to an individual try from Jack Briggs.

Banbury were punished late on when Swindon added an unconverted score after making the most of a wayward kick.

However, Bulls had already done more than enough to secure victory.

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This is a really productive and lucky week for Aries and the majority of you will find that you can get all of your Christmas shopping tied up to your satisfaction. Careful of telling tales on older family members. It will come back on you if you do. There may have been far more to their story than those who first informed you really knew. Ring now for more on this week.

0906 585 4360

TAURUS Apr 20-May 20

Try to have faith that your close ones will do all they promised. Many of the signs have been under more pressure than you realise and it would give them the space and time they need to acclimatise. News from far away gives you reason to get really excited about the New Year. 2017 can be all you'd dreamed plus more. Ring now to hear why it will pay to be early everywhere this week.

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GEMINI May 21-Jun 20

Please try not to be too cornered, but use your time and energy into doing things that you enjoy. Even if that means trudging out of your comfort zone. It's sure to be worth the effort my friend. A breakdown in communication in the family requires you to mend a bond. It can be made or break for a reunion of sorts before this year is over. Call me so I can help you admit what you want in love.

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CANCER Jun 21-Jul 22

You know that better is achievable. Trying harder means distancing yourself from those who only bring you down and add negativity to your life. Conversations you have with family this weekend confirm what you have to do to make life more enjoyable for all. Take time out for younger faces midweek. They need your guidance. Ring now to make the best of life and love this Christmas.

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LEO Jul 23-Aug 22

Your ruling planet the Sun makes it possible for you to see opportunity in every setback and you no longer judge others for what they have done, but you realise that life is about learning not about judging. An ex is on your mind, but try to resist the temptation to have someone back that made you feel negative. Ring now so I can help build up that self esteem I know is within.

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VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

Try to make sure that the plans you are making are what you want and not what others think you should be doing. It would be far better for you to draw a line in the sand now or you will only end up getting roped into all manner of things you don't enjoy. Christmas is coming. Remember what happened last year? Ring now so you can finally be in control of life again.

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LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

You have many new admirers who are sure to be making your life a fun place to be in the coming days and weeks. Just be careful that you are not neglecting those you'd be interested in long term for those who care and will only give short term gratification. Gemini link to a new and improved social life which is beckoning. Ring now to hear how new career paths may take you abroad.

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SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

You start to pay more attention to the way you look and you think more about what you're going to put on in the morning. You realise that to get ahead you are going to have to present yourself in the best possible way. This is an exciting chapter you're entering my friend and the beginning of great things. Ring now to hear how Uranus gives you answers about love in upcoming dreams.

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SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21

You will all be interested Sagittarius that you are giving yourself a hard time about what you're doing that you're not being critic. Fresh views on old problems can be found if you keep eyes forward on new contacts and not on the past. Making calls yourself and not being afraid to ask questions can see you getting ahead of the competition. Call now for an early Christmas surprise.

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CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

Try not to leave close ones out of your plans this week. At this time of the year, many of us can feel neglected or out of the loop. Try to think of constructive words you can say which will build them up. It can make all the difference as to how their festive season goes. Family require the truth when talking about recent events, as they already know more than you think! Ring now to reveal all.

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AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18

Your mind is alert and ready to learn what is needed to take your career and personal life up to the next level. Careful of judging a friend's new partner too soon, or you could end up eating your words. Better to let time reveal what they're really like, so you don't end up looking and feeling the fool. Ring now to hear why this is a great time to deal with delicate home issues.

0906 585 4370

PISCES Feb 19-Mar 20

You will be able to see with clarity who needs your time this Christmas and who is ready to spread their wings and go it alone. You get the chance to watch with pride how much a close one has grown in confidence and this is partly down to you and the support you have shown in recent days and weeks. Ring now to hear why a forbidden flirtation is now allowed.

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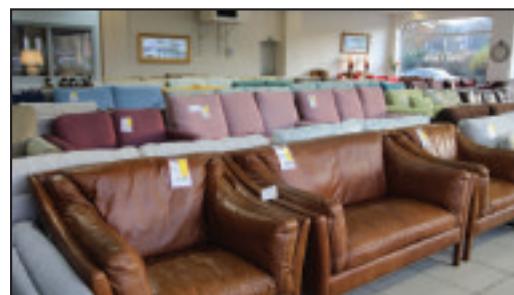
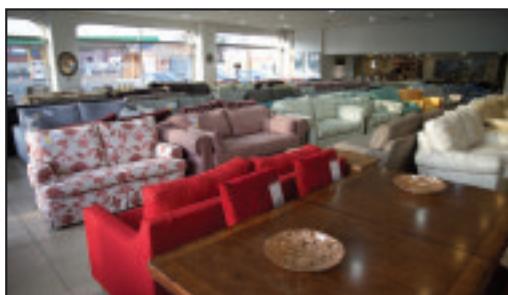
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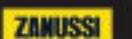


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